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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

C. HANS FIGI,

Plaintiff,

ORDER DISMISSING **COMPLAINT** 

-against-

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ROSS INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY AND INNOVATION IN EDUCATION, THE ROSS SCHOOL and COURTNEY SALE ROSS.

Defendants.

ALVIN K. HELLERSTEIN, U.S.D.J.:

Plaintiff alleges diversity of citizenship as the basis of the court's subject matter jurisdiction. However, the citizenships of the parties—C. Hans Figi, the Ross School, and Courtney Sale Ross—are not sufficiently addressed. Residence is not the equivalent of citizenship. A corporation is deemed a citizen of any state in which it is incorporated and of the state where it has its principal place of business. Hertz Corp. v. Friend, 130 S. Ct. 1181, 1190 (2010).

Plaintiff has 20 days from issuance of this order to file an amended complaint, conforming to this order. If plaintiff fails to do so, this order becomes final.

Defendants' motion to dismiss Count one of the complaint (Doc. No. 3) is denied as academic in light of this order, and the Clerk shall mark it terminated. However, I have read the motion and the complaint, and suggest to the parties that neither plaintiff, nor defendants, will profit by including this count, nor renewing the motion. This case presents a breach of contract lawsuit that should be adjudicated as such in state court unless jurisdiction in federal court is shown.

SO ORDERED.

Dated:

New York, New York

November <u>7</u>, 2012

ALVIN K. HELLERSTEIN

United States District Judge